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ALDERMEN CONCUR IN JITNEY BUS ORDINANCE

Measure Is Passed by 10 to 1 Vote and Goes to Mayor for Signature.

REQUIRES INDEMNITY BOND

Ordinance Makes Jitney Owners Put Up \$1,000 Surety to Protect Passengers and Pedestrians Against Injury Resulting From Negligence.

By a vote of 10 to 1 the Board of Aldermen last night concurred in the Common Council's amendments to the jitney bus ordinance, thereby concurring in the passage of the amended measure and making it ready for the Mayor's signature. Alderman Paul, of Clay Ward, who has consistently opposed the ordinance from the beginning, cast the only vote in the negative.

The amendments were concurred in without debate. Mr. Paul drew attention to the section of the ordinance which requires jitney owners to execute a \$1,000 indemnity bond and introduced a letter from a company in which it was stated that surety companies, for the present at least, will not write this class of business except on the deposit of collateral to the amount of the bond.

ORDINANCE NOW GOES TO MAYOR FOR SIGNATURE.

The ordinance will probably go to the Mayor for his signature today or tomorrow. It becomes effective ten days from its approval. The Mayor is expected to sign the measure, and it will probably be in effect before the end of the month.

Chief among the provisions of the ordinance is the one which requires the owner of every automobile engaged in the "jitney" traffic to execute with a reliable guarantee company an indemnity bond of \$1,000 to protect passengers and pedestrians against damage of injury resulting from the negligent operation of such auto by the owner or his chauffeur. For every additional car operated by any owner an additional \$500 bond is required.

The ordinance requires every jitney bus before engaging in business, to provide itself with a license for one of three routes, described generally as Monument Avenue, Grove Avenue and Main Street routes. Only along these routes, the ordinance provides, may jitney buses be operated in the city.

ROUTES FOR EXTRA FARE.

Departure from the designated routes is allowed only where the owner of an automobile, licensed under this ordinance, has contracted in advance for the transportation of passengers at a higher fare than five cents a passenger. In such cases the carrier may pursue any route not designated as a jitney route by the ordinance. The effect of this section, according to some authorities, is to make it possible for any jitney to operate anywhere in the city—regardless of designated routes—for a six-cent fare.

Jitney operators were unable to say last night how they would meet the new ordinance. It is commonly understood that the measure will be attacked in the courts, chiefly on the bonding provision. It is estimated that between 100 and 125 jitney buses operate in the city now during rush hours.

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO SHOWS STEADY GAIN

Statement Issued Giving Revenues of Company for Each Year Since 1911.

STEVENS GOES TO NEW YORK

Will Talk Over Transcontinental Line With Governor Stuart in Los Angeles To-Day—Southern Railway Earnings Show Decrease.

In a statement issued yesterday by Comptroller L. F. Sullivan, it is shown that the revenues of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway have increased 38.7 per cent, or 20.9 per cent, since 1911. The figures are contained in a preliminary report of the revenues of the road for the fiscal year, ending June 30 last, which showed an increase of \$1,918,018, or 5.1 per cent over last year. Comparisons are made with the returns for each of the four preceding years.

In a statement for last year, which is based on the actual revenues for the first eleven months and on estimates for the month of June, one of the outstanding features is the decrease in passenger revenues. The Chesapeake and Ohio received \$431,472, or 2.1 per cent less from its passenger operations than during the preceding year. This is due largely to the fact that two of the through trains have been taken out of the service.

At the same time the freight revenues show an increase of 8.3 per cent over those of 1914-15. The proportion of the increase in merchandise traffic and in coal and coke was practically the same. Returns from merchandise traffic showed a gain of \$1,056,490, and from coal and coke the gain was \$1,205,611.

For June the decrease in passenger revenue was 11.6 per cent, or \$61,309, while the increase in freight revenues was \$401,061, or 16.6 per cent. The estimated revenues of the road for the first week in July are \$618,130, as compared with \$564,727 for the same period last year—an increase of \$53,403.

The comparative statement of the revenues for the past five years are as follows:

Years.	Revenues.
1915.....	\$39,378,578
1914.....	37,459,856
1913.....	35,985,272
1912.....	34,259,870
1911.....	32,583,411

The increase from 1912 to 1915 was \$5,793,768, or 17.8 per cent, and from 1912 to 1915 14,293,696, or 43.9 per cent.

President George W. Stevens, of the Chesapeake and Ohio, went to New York last night and to-day at noon will talk over the transcontinental line with Governor Henry C. Stuart, of Virginia, who will be in Los Angeles, Cal. The conversation will mark the formal opening of the commercial line between New York and Los Angeles.

Comptroller A. H. Plant, of the Southern Railway, yesterday issued a statement of the estimated earnings of the road for the first week in July. It is as follows:

This year, \$1,128,416; last year, \$1,278,312; decrease, \$149,896.

Carl Remington, secretary of the Chesapeake and Ohio, returned to New York yesterday, after spending a day or two in the city.

FOLKES SUBMITS TEN ALTERNATIVE PLANS

Would Have Democratic Voters Express Preference as to Form of Government.

FIRST SPEECHES OF CAMPAIGN

Candidates for Senate, House and Administrative Board Are Heard by Northside Citizens in Barton Heights Schoolhouse.

Touching on the charter-reform movement in Richmond in an address before the North Richmond Citizens' Association, at Barton Heights last night, Elben C. Folkles, member of the Administrative Board, advocated the submission to the citizens at the Democratic primary on August 3 of ten different forms of city government, from which the voters could select their preference. He declared that, as a member of the board, he would not oppose any form of government which the people desired, but he urged that more than one proposition should be before them from which they could make a selection.

The people have a right to express their feelings on the subject, said Mr. Folkles, and the members of the General Assembly would be quick to detect any scheme for a change in the charter if the people are denied an opportunity to say what they want. His proposal was met with a resolution of the Citizens' Association, and while the result would not be binding upon the Council committee, the expression from the citizens would be of great value to the members in framing their report, he argued.

FORMAL OPENING OF PRIMARY CAMPAIGN

The Barton Heights meeting marked the formal opening of the primary campaign in the city. O. A. Hawkins, president and Frank T. Bates, Jr., secretary.

In addition to Mr. Folkles, the speakers were his colleague on the board, Henry P. Beck, also a candidate for re-election; the four aspirants for the two seats in the State Senate, James E. Cannon, L. O. Wendenburg, C. W. Hardwick and Morgan R. Mills, and eight of the nine candidates for the five vacancies in the House of Delegates, Graham R. Hobson, Captain W. M. Myers, E. B. Fuller, Albert O. Boshen, R. T. Bowden, W. A. Crenshaw, J. B. Lightfoot, Jr., and Captain James H. Price. Marx Gunst, candidate for the Administrative Board, on which there will be two vacancies, and J. B. Jones, a candidate for the House, were not present.

Following a brief address by Mr. Beck, who stated that he stood upon the record of fifteen years with the city government as his platform for re-election, Mr. Folkles was introduced. He asked that the activities of the Administrative Board be judged by its powers and jurisdiction. The progress of the city had been marked by a distinct and upward tendency since the members assumed their duties in those things over which they had jurisdiction, he continued, and added that he had stood for teamwork rather than for aggrandizement.

FOLKES SUBMITS TEN ALTERNATIVE PROPOSITIONS

The various plans of city government suggested by Mr. Folkles for submission to the voters are:

- (1) The present form of city government.
- (2) A straight commission form of government, with five members at \$5,000 a year.
- (3) A mayor and council of five members at \$5,000, elected from the city at large, and the elimination of every board not required by the Constitution of the State.
- (4) A one-chamber council of seven members at \$5,000 a year, one member elected from each ward, and three from the city at large, and the elimination of every board not required to exist by the Constitution.
- (5) The abolition of the Council and the placing of their duties in the Administrative Board.
- (6) The abolition of the Administrative Board and the merging of their duties in the Council.
- (7) The appointment of the commissioners by the Mayor, with the Council retaining the right of removal.
- (8) The general manager plan, to be elected by the Council.
- (9) The general manager plan with a straight commission form of government.
- (10) The placing of the Fire, Health and Police Boards under the Administrative Board.

CANDIDATES FOR HOUSE DISCUSS TAX QUESTION

Nearly all of the candidates for the House of Delegates and the Senate referred to the tax question and several different views as to the efficacy of the segregation plan adopted by the last General Assembly. Mr. Cannon asserted that while he had opposed State-wide prohibition, he would support the will of the 30,000 majority of Virginia voters as expressed at the polls. Mr. Folkles was the only other speaker to touch upon the subject. He had opposed prohibition as a governmental proposition, but if elected he would not be governed by his previous views in shaping legislation for its enforcement.

Mr. Hobson, Captain Myers and Mr. Fuller spoke of the records in the last General Assembly. Captain Myers in particular reviewing his efforts in securing legislation desired by the business interests of the city. They referred to the numerous bills introduced from the counties to legislation favorable to Richmond.

Captain Price urged that the delegates from the city should show a spirit of co-operation in their association with the delegates from the county districts in order to secure results of mutual advantage. He was opposed to antagonizing the rural delegates who constitute a majority of the House and pledged himself to do all in his power to bring about a better understanding.

Mr. Wendenburg was speaking to the constituency which he represented before the legislature was annexed to the city. He reviewed his legislative career briefly and expressed a preference for the equalization of tax burdens. Mr. Hardwick disclaimed previous legislation in the field at the urgent solicitation of his friends, who wanted him to represent the "business interests" of the city and State in the Senate. Captain Mills, touching on the charter reform movement, asserted he would support any form of government which the people of the city want, and declared himself in favor of a referendum on any plan before it should be adopted.

Other meetings arranged for the candidates are:

Thursday, July 15—Plaza, Highland Park, under auspices of Citizens' Association of Highland Park.

Friday night, July 23—Chimborazo School, under auspices of East End Progressive Association.

BOARD HOLDS UP MONEY FOR NEGRO EXPOSITION

Colored Fair Is Characterized by Grudgy as a Frost and Failure.

DIVERTS CITY FARM MONEY

Aldermen Turn Deaf Ear to Petitioners Asking That \$23,037 Fund Be Kept Intact for Purpose Originally Intended.

Deterred from concurrence by Alderman Grundy, chairman of the Finance Committee, who characterized the negro exposition as being held at the Fair Grounds as a failure which is not being supported by the colored people themselves, the Board of Aldermen last night referred to the Finance Committee a resolution, already passed by the Common Council, placing at the disposal of the Advertising Committee \$23,037 to be expended in assisting the exposition.

The Council recently appropriated \$5,000 to be expended under the direction of the Advertising and Enterprises Committee in assisting in the celebration of the President of the United States, who was expected to visit the exposition. Fearing that the President would not be able to come, the colored people asked the Common Council last Tuesday night to remove the condition and make the money available for the general purposes of the exposition.

The Common Council, under a suspension of the rules, passed a resolution carrying into effect the desire of the petitioners. Aldermen Grundy and Christian last night opposed the resolution on the ground that the exposition is not of a character to merit the support of the Council.

Alderman Fuller spoke warmly in favor of concurrence, pointing to the fact that this was the first time that the Council has ventured to give assistance to a colored enterprise, notwithstanding the fact that negroes pay taxes on property and are taxed. He had visited the exposition, he said, and found it entirely creditable. With the thousands expended annually by the Council in the entertainment of the visitors to the city, he said, it was not more than business to give the city should contribute this amount to the colored people, particularly since the money was to be expended by the Committee on Advertising and Enterprises.

Alderman Fuller moved that the rules be suspended to place the resolution on its passage. Aldermen Powers moved as a substitute that the paper be referred to the Finance Committee, and the motion was adopted by a vote of 6 to 5.

REFUSES TO PRESERVE CITY FARM BALANCE

The body refused by an overwhelming vote to recommend a resolution transferring \$23,037 now to the credit of the city farm fund, to a new fund for the improvement of Dock Street. Recommendation was asked by more than thirty petitioners representing Bible class and ministerial organizations which had adopted resolutions praying that the fund may be kept intact for the purpose for which it was originally set aside.

Alderman Grundy moved that the measure be recommitted. Such a course was opposed by Alderman Fuller, who drew attention to the fact that the present Council was definitely committed against the city farm project. To maintain the money idle, he said, represented a loss to the city, and served no useful end. It was better to apply the fund to an immediate improvement, he said, and take care of the city farm when it arises.

The motion to recommit was defeated. The measure was then placed on its passage and was concurred in unanimously. It provides also for the transfer to the Dock Street fund of \$23,037 from the balance now to the credit of the fund for repairs to the Free Bridge.

AUTHORIZES MAYOR TO CONTRACT WITH SLOAN

Other measures concurred in by the Board of Aldermen last night were:

Authorizing the Mayor to negotiate a contract with James T. Sloan for the dedication of certain property on Dock Street, to make possible the widening of that street to a uniform width of twenty feet from Fourteenth to Seventh Streets. The terms of the contract are to be approved by the Finance Committee and Council.

Authorizing the City Attorney to acquire through the usual channels the taxes on property on the corner of Lombard Street northward from Broad Street to Railroad Street.

Authorizing the acquisition of property for the straightening of Virginia Avenue, Highland Park, north of Highland Avenue.

Appropriating \$1,000 to the Sheltering Arms Hospital.

Appropriating \$500 to the Travelers Aid Society.

Under suspension of the rules the Board passed a resolution introduced by Alderman Grundy granting thirty days leave of absence with pay to City Attorney Pollard.

Candidates Invited.

Candidates for the Administrative Board and the Legislature have been invited to address the voters of Highland Park at a mass meeting to be held tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. The mass meeting is being held at the offices of the Highland Park Citizens' Association and the arrangements for the Democratic rally are in the hands of a committee of that organization. The meeting will be held on the Plaza.

SEES NO IMPROVEMENT BEFORE NEXT AUTUMN

Fairfax Harrison, President of Southern, Discusses Business Outlook.

RAILWAY PRESIDENTS HERE

Confer as to Business Conditions, Valuation and Other Problems. Look for Better Trade in Fall. Making Drastic Cuts in Expenses.

President Fairfax Harrison, of the Southern Railway, who was in Richmond yesterday to attend a conference of executives of the principal railroads of the South, said that he did not expect decided improvement in business conditions generally before autumn. He had just gone over the situation so far as it affected the Southern with James H. Drake, general freight agent of the road, with headquarters in this city, and was impressed with the necessity of any indication of a revival in traffic during the remainder of the summer.

The same conditions which confront the Southern prevail with the other lines represented at the conference, and President Harrison had learned nothing from his associates which indicated that the situation with any other road would be materially different from that expected by the Southern. The general impression appeared to be, however, that the railroads' presidents expected conditions in their several territories to be decidedly more favorable than during the first six months of their last fiscal year, when all lines suffered heavy losses in business as a result of the stagnation in all kinds of business, following the outbreak of the war in Europe.

DRASTIC ECONOMIES OFFSET REDUCED BUSINESS

There was not a railroad represented in the conference which had not materially reduced expenses by inaugurating more drastic economies than have ever before characterized the operation of these systems. By such methods the companies have been able to dole out, to a large extent, the decrease in traffic and the result in recent months has been improvements in the financial showings of each road. Less equipment has been used and the cost of maintaining the same, as well as the expenditures in maintenance of the road, have figured in the reductions.

No affairs of public interest were discussed at the conference of the railroad executives, it was stated last night, only routine matters having been taken up. The conference was held at the Hotel Richmond, and was presided over by President Harrison.

Those present at the conference were: E. T. Lamb, of Atlanta, Ga., receiver and general manager of the Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic.

J. R. Kenly, of Wilmington, N. C., president of the Atlantic Coast Line.

George W. Stevens, of Richmond, president of the Chesapeake and Ohio.

N. D. Maher, of Roanoke, vice-president of the Norfolk and Western.

W. J. Harahan, of Norfolk, president of the Seaboard Air Line.

Fairfax Harrison, of Washington, president of the Southern.

Raymond DuPont, of Norfolk, president of the Virginian Railway.

C. A. Wickersham, of Atlanta, president of the Atlanta and West Point Railway.

President Stevens and President Harrison left last night for New York to attend meetings of their boards of directors. The other executives left the city during the afternoon and night.

VISITS IN PORTO RICO

William W. Martin Goes to See His Father, Major Miles M. Martin.

William W. Martin, stenographer in the office of Governor Stuart and secretary of State Convict Line Board, has accompanied his father, Major Miles M. Martin, in Porto Rico. A postcard received from him by Alexander Forward, the Governor's secretary, yesterday tells of the safe arrival of the wife and son of Major Martin at Porto Rico on July 2. They will spend about ten days in the island, where Major Martin holds the office of United States Attorney for the District of Porto Rico.

MAY WOMEN ACT AS CLERKS?

Attorney-General Asked to Render Opinion on Vexed Question.

Attorney-General Pollard has been requested to render an opinion on which judges of circuit courts have in recent years rendered conflicting decisions. The question is this: "Are women eligible to serve as deputies to clerks of courts in Virginia?"

In several counties and in most of the cities women have been employed in the last few years as deputy clerks. The Attorney-General has declined to render an opinion on the subject until a test shall be applied by bringing a specific case into court.

The last Constitutional Convention resulted in a provision declaring women over the age of eighteen years eligible to serve as notaries public.

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STORE EMPLOYEES HOLD ANNUAL OUTING AT LAKESIDE

J. B. Mosby & Co. Staff Elect J. F. Jones President and Miss Eva Delarue Secretary.

The annual meeting of the J. B. Mosby & Co. Employees' Association was held yesterday evening at Lakeside. The members of the association, together with the members of the firm, left the city on a special car on the Ashland line, arriving at Lakeside at 5:40 o'clock.

The pavilion at Lakeside had been secured for the occasion, and the business meeting of the association was held immediately on arrival. The meeting was presided over by J. B. Mosby, who has been president of the association since its organization, one year ago.

Notwithstanding unusually heavy demands upon the resources of the organization during the past year, due to sickness, the report showed the association to be in a most flourishing condition.

The following persons were unanimously elected as officers of the association for the ensuing year: President, J. F. Jones; vice-president, C. L. Price; secretary, Miss Eva Delarue; treasurer, Miss Henrietta Kracke; and members of the association, together with the following members of the board of directors: E. A. Dietrich, R. W. Miles, W. A. Webb, Mrs. Effie Loomis, Miss Mattie Spitzer and Miss Madeline Walsh.

Immediately following the business meeting supper was served on the lawn, followed by dancing in the pavilion. The outing, which was unanimously voted to be a most enjoyable one, was under the auspices of the entertainment committee of the association, consisting of J. F. Jones, Miss Annie Barker, Miss Theresa Miller, Miss Mattie Spitzer, Miss Ben Martin, Conrad Price and Eugene A. Dietrich.

KEEP WATCH ON HOPEWELL

Federal Revenue Agents Require Liquor Licenses in Magic City.

Internal Revenue Collector Moncreau said yesterday that his agents and deputies were keeping in close touch with the situation at Hopewell, the "magic city" at the plant of the Du Pont Powder Company in Prince George County, and that all dealers in soft drinks, containing more than one-half of 1 per cent of alcohol were being required to take out general licenses. The number now held is in the neighborhood of forty.

Mr. Moncreau stated that the records of these licenses are open to the Commission's attorney of Prince George County at any time, but that his jurisdiction ends with the payment of the Federal revenue tax. The collector, under the Federal statute, is not permitted to give out the names of holders of government liquor licenses to anyone except the duly authorized representative of the prosecuting authority in any county.

The mere fact that a man holds a government license does not mean that he is violating the State law, which limits the proportion of alcohol to 2-1/4 per cent. However, the burden of proof is on the defendant to show that the liquid sold does not exceed the limit.

INVITED TO RALEIGH

W. H. Bagley Presents Rotarians With North Carolina Invitation.

W. H. Bagley, of Raleigh, N. C., made an address before the Rotary Club at its weekly meeting at the Business Men's Club last night, in which he extended a formal invitation for the Rotarians of Richmond to visit the duties of Governor. A large time has been arranged for by the Raleigh Club, and fifty members from Richmond signed up to make the trip.

Mr. Bagley's address was the feature of a well-attended "photo" session, in which those present were given the opportunity to guess the names of people whose photographs were shown them. Each was taxed a "joke" for the privilege of guessing, and the proceeds go to the Children's Home. William H. Adams sent J. G. Corley made speeches and Al Schrader sang several songs.

State Receives Orders for Lime

Orders for agricultural lime from farmers in all parts of the State continue to pour in upon the acting secretary of the State Convict Line Board, Alexander Forward, who is looking after the duties of Governor. Mr. Forward yesterday booked orders for five carloads of the product of the State's new plant at Staunton, which is now working at its full capacity.

MOTHERS PLAN BETTER BABIES' CONTEST AT FAIR

Ask Contributions for Erection of Permanent Building—Only Registered Babies May Enter.

The Federation of Mothers' Clubs is planning to have a building of its own at the State Fair next fall, in which to hold the better babies' contest and exhibition. It is co-operating in this work with the State Board of Health. It has for several years been the law in Virginia that every baby born here should be registered at the Bureau of Vital Statistics, with the names of its father and mother. As this law has been very successfully enforced, the Federation has undertaken to assist the Board of Health. No babies may now be entered in any of its contests unless registered.

SENDS SHEAF OF OATS

Isle of Wight Farmer Demonstrates Fitness of Virginia Soil.

The wonder and admiration of officials of the State Department of Agriculture was excited yesterday by the receipt of a sheaf of oats, which came by express to the Commissioner of Agriculture Koerner from Isle of Wight County. The sender is Elbin H. Whitely, manager of the P. D. Camp Farm. The sheaf is a specimen of this year's yield of black Ontario oats. The stalks stand seven feet in height and the grain is of excellent quality.

Mr. Whitely explains that it is his purpose to demonstrate to Virginia farmers that this species of oats can be grown as successfully in Virginia as in Canada. The crop was sowed, he says, in the middle of March, and harvested June 28.

Black Ontario oats grown in a Southern State are a rarity, the species being supposed to give a profitable yield only in very cold countries. The Isle of Wight man maintains that his success with the black Ontario demonstrates conclusively that Southern farmers have to heretofore held fallacious ideas regarding the fitness of the soil for oats of this kind and have neglected a highly profitable crop.

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